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11. (U) On April 5, German Embasssy First Secretary Stefan Krawielicki and Poloff delivered a joint demarche to French MFA Director of Archives Jean Mendelson concerning the opening of the International Tracing Service (ITS) archives for the purpose of research and the provision of copies of archive material to interested ITS Commission member states. Poloff and colleague specifically encouraged the GOF to complete its relevant domestic approval procedures expeditiously and urged the GOF to support the motion the USG plans to table at the annual meeting of the International Commission in Amsterdam on May 14-15, 2007 on an advance technical distribution of the electronic data.

12. (SBU) Mendelson related that the GOF appreciated the need for haste in providing access to the archive, particularly in light of the advanced age of Holocaust survivors, and said that the GOF favored distribution of advance digital copies of the archive before all Commission member states had effectuated the necessary domestic arrangements to receive the information.

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